#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of this meeting is to provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

- News from DOE.
- News from the Office of Basic Energy Sciences.
- Report of the COV of the Chemical Sciences, Geosciences and Biosciences Division.
- Reports from the BES Nanoscience Centers.
- Report from the New Era Subcommittee.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Karen Talamini at 301–903–6594 (fax) or

karen.talamini@science.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC on June 20, 2008.

#### Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E8–14343 Filed 6–24–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Office of Science.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee (NSAC). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, August 21, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Marriott Crystal Gateway Hotel, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda L. May, U.S. Department of Energy; SC–26/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; Telephone: 301–903–0536.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis to the Department of Energy and the National Science Foundation on scientific priorities within the field of basic nuclear science research.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

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- Perspectives from Department of Energy and National Science Foundation.
- Presentation of the Performance Measures Subcommittee Report.
- Update on Deep Underground Science and Engineering Laboratory.
- User Facility Reports.
- Update on Fundamental Neutron Physics Beam.

• Public Comment (10-minute rule). Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of these items on the agenda, you should contact Brenda L. May, 301-903-0536 or Brenda.May@science.doe.gov (email). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

*Minutes:* The minutes of the meeting will be available on the U.S. Department of Energy's *Office of Nuclear Physics* Web site for viewing.

#### Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E8–14340 Filed 6–24–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Office of Science.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Monday, August 4, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 5, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, Maryland, 20877.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Albert L. Opdenaker, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; Telephone: 301–903–4927.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The Office of Fusion Energy Sciences (OFES) is developing a new strategic plan for the Fusion Energy Sciences (FES) program. The Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC) recently completed its report on scientific themes and issues facing the magnetic fusion portion of the FES program. At this meeting, FESAC will hear a status report from each of its two current panels, one that is identifying the scientific themes and issues facing the four major alternate confinement concepts, and the other identifying the scientific themes and issues facing the high energy density laboratory plasmas program. Once these panels complete their work, their output along with the previous FESAC report on the themes and issues facing the magnetic fusion program will inform the efforts of OFES to produce a new strategic plan. In addition, the committee will hear a scientific paper, the topic of which has yet to be determined.

## **Tentative Agenda**

Monday, August 4, 2008

- OFES: Plan for developing a new strategic plan for FES
  - ITER Project Status
- Status Report: Panel on High Energy Density Laboratory Plasmas
- Status Report: Panel on Alternate Confinement Concepts
  - Public Comments

Tuesday, August 5, 2008

- Scientific Paper: TBD
- Discussion of Strategic Plan Development
  - Adjourn

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the

Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Albert L. Opdenaker at 301–903–8584 (fax) or

albert.opdenaker@science.doe.gov (e-mail). Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available on the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Fusion Energy Sciences Web site (http://www.science.doe.gov/ofes/).

Issued at Washington, DC, on June 20, 2008.

#### Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E8–14337 Filed 6–24–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP06-5-009]

## Empire Pipeline Inc.; Notice of Application

June 17, 2008.

Take notice that on June 10, 2008, Empire Pipeline, Inc. (EPI), 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221, filed in Docket No. CP06-5-009, an application under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission on December 21, 2006. EPI requests authorization to amend its certificate to make a minor route realignment in the Town of Farmington, Ontario County, New York, between mileposts 3.8 and 4.8, in the vicinity of the New York State Thruway. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8659 or TTY, (202) 208-3676.

Any questions regarding this petition should be directed to David W. Reitz, Attorney for Empire Pipeline, Inc., 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221, at (716) 857–7949, by fax at (716) 857–7206, or at reitzd@natfuel.com.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the below listed comment date, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: July 8, 2008.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PT08-1-000]

Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare An Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Devers-Palo Verde No. 2 Transmission Line Project, Request for Comments On Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Meetings

June 17, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission (FERC or
Commission) will prepare an
environmental impact statement (EIS)
that will identify and address the
environmental impacts that could result
from the construction and operation of
the Devers-Palo Verde No. 2
Transmission Line Project (DPV2 or
Project). The DPV2 is proposed by
Southern California Edison Company
(SCE). The Commission will use the EIS
in its decision-making process to
determine whether or not to authorize
the Project. This notice describes the